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OUTPUT SERVICE SYSTEM

# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

### **AMENDMENTS**

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Lines 2 to 3, change "any one of Claims 1 to 3" to

--Claim 1--

change "any one of Claims 1 to 3" to Lines 2 to 3, --Claim 1--

## REMARKS

The amendment to the claims is merely to delete multiple dependencies and to place the application into better form for